

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing Of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A communication method for allowing a first apparatus connected to a wireless communication apparatus having a wireless communication unit and a memory, to perform wireless communication ~~by connecting said first apparatus to a~~ via the wireless communication apparatus ~~having a wireless communication unit and a memory~~, said communication method comprising:

a registration step of registering, ~~when~~ while said wireless communication apparatus is connected to a second apparatus, wireless communication setting information, for which said first apparatus performs wireless communication via said wireless communication unit, in said memory ~~of said wireless communication apparatus~~ by said second apparatus;

a reading step of reading, ~~when~~ in a case that said wireless communication apparatus where the wireless communication setting information has been registered ~~[[at]]~~ in said registration step is connected to said first apparatus, the wireless communication setting information from said memory ~~of said wireless communication apparatus~~ by said first apparatus;

a setting step of setting the wireless communication setting information read ~~[[at]]~~ in said reading step in said wireless communication unit by said first apparatus; and

a communication step of performing wireless communication by said wireless communication unit in accordance with the wireless communication setting information set in said setting step, whereby the wireless communication by said first apparatus is achieved.

Claim 2 (original): The communication method according to claim 1, wherein the setting information includes information relating to a wireless LAN.

Claim 3 (original): The communication method according to claim 2, wherein the setting information includes any of Service Set ID and Wireless Equivalent Privacy Key relating to wireless LAN communication.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The communication method according to claim 1, wherein in said registration step, said second apparatus further registers identification information of said first apparatus in said memory of said wireless communication apparatus.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The communication method according to claim 4, further comprising a comparison step of comparing the identification information registered at said registration step with identification information of said first apparatus previously set in said first apparatus,

wherein said first apparatus controls performing the wireless communication in said communication step in accordance with the result of comparison at said comparison step.

Claim 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (currently amended): A wireless communication apparatus for allowing a first apparatus connected to said wireless communication apparatus to perform wireless communication, comprising:

a wireless communication unit; and

a memory for storing wireless communication setting information, for which said first apparatus ~~transmitted from a second apparatus~~ performs the wireless communication via said wireless communication unit, wherein the wireless communication setting information is stored in said memory by a second apparatus.

wherein said first apparatus ~~connected with said wireless communication apparatus~~ sets the wireless communication setting information read from said memory in said wireless communication unit as wireless communication parameters for which said wireless communication unit performs the wireless communication, under the control of said first apparatus, and said wireless communication unit performs the wireless communication based on the wireless communication setting information set in said wireless communication unit, whereby the wireless communication by said first apparatus is achieved.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The wireless communication apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the setting information includes information relating to a wireless LAN.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The wireless communication apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the setting information includes any of Service Set ID and Wireless Equivalent Privacy Key relating to wireless LAN communication.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The wireless communication apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said memory stores both identification information of said first apparatus as well as the setting information.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The wireless communication apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the setting information is set, by said first apparatus, in

said wireless communication unit in accordance with the identification information stored in said memory and identification information of said first apparatus previously set in said first apparatus.

Claim 12 (canceled).

Claim 13 (currently amended): A first apparatus which is capable of performing wireless communication by being connected with a wireless communication apparatus, said first apparatus comprising:

detection means for detecting a connection with said wireless communication apparatus;

reading means for reading wireless communication setting information, for which said first apparatus connected to said wireless communication apparatus performs the wireless communication via a wireless communication unit of said wireless communication apparatus, registered in a memory of said wireless communication apparatus by a second apparatus in accordance with the result of detection by said detection means; and

setting means for setting the wireless communication setting information read by said reading means in ~~[[a]]~~ said wireless communication unit ~~of said wireless communication apparatus~~ as wireless communication parameters for which said wireless communication unit performs the wireless communication;

wherein said wireless communication apparatus performs the wireless communication based on the wireless communication setting information set in said

wireless communication unit, whereby the wireless communication by said first apparatus is achieved.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The first apparatus according to claim 13, wherein both identification information of said first apparatus as well as the setting information are set in said wireless communication apparatus by said second apparatus, said first apparatus further comprising:
second reading means for reading the identification information from said wireless communication apparatus; and
comparison means for comparing the identification information read by said second reading means with identification information previously set in said first apparatus,
wherein said reading means reads the setting information in accordance with the result of comparison by said comparison means.

Claim 15 (canceled).

Claim 16 (currently amended): A control method of a wireless communication apparatus having a wireless communication unit and a memory, which connects a first apparatus and performs wireless communication by said first apparatus, said control method comprising:

a storage step of storing wireless communication setting information, for which said first apparatus connected to said wireless communication apparatus performs the wireless communication via said wireless communication unit, transmitted from a second

apparatus into said memory, wherein the wireless communication setting information is stored in said memory by the second apparatus;

a setting step of setting the wireless communication setting information read from said memory in said wireless communication unit by said first apparatus; and

a communication step of performing wireless communication based on the wireless communication setting information set in said wireless communication unit in said setting step, whereby the wireless communication by said first apparatus is achieved.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A control method of a first apparatus which is capable of performing wireless communication by being connected with a wireless communication apparatus, said control method comprising:

a detection step of detecting a connection with said wireless communication apparatus;

a reading step of reading wireless communication setting information, for which said first apparatus connected to said wireless communication apparatus performs the wireless communication via a wireless communication unit of said wireless communication apparatus, registered in a memory of said wireless communication apparatus by a second apparatus in accordance with the result of detection by said detection step; and

a setting step of setting the wireless communication setting information read at said reading step in ~~[[a]]~~ said wireless communication unit ~~of said wireless~~

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~~communication apparatus~~ as wireless communication parameters for which said wireless communication unit performs the wireless communication;

wherein said wireless communication apparatus performs the wireless communication based on the wireless communication setting information set in said wireless communication unit, whereby the wireless communication by said first apparatus is achieved.